

CERTIFICATION SERVICE

818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

December 27, 1977

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments	Consultant's Opinion
E-8655-A	200.00	S.G. 8.88	1795 T.A.L.
E-8656-A	200.00	S.G. 6.9 submitted as Tin	1/24 part ten factory

Total Value \$ 400.00

Check enclosed for return postage----\$ 284

Sincerely,



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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

January 17, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions.

Coin Number E-9137-A	Owner's Value \$ 45.00	S.G. 8.76	Consultants Opinions NJ. (78-7
E-9199-A	50.00	1787? S.G. 8.88	Ryder 13 Vermont

Total Value \$ 95.00

Check enclosed for return postage----\$ 234

Sincerely,



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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

January 26, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number

Owner's Value 500.00

Comments

Consultant's Opinion

E-9327-A

S.G. 8.0 What should we call this?

1790 Manly medal Baher 61 Washyton Born in Va tank

Total Value

s 500.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ 3 14

Sincerely,

FRIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

January 31, 1978

Mr. John Hunter ANACS 818 North Cascade Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

- E-9327-A Manly's George Washington medal (Baker 61) in white metal which is probably mostly tin from its 8.0 specific gravity. It is made of two separately pressed faces which are joined by foldover. It has a hole at 8 o'clock in the border on the reverse. It weighs 39.02 grams. Being American made, it is crude. It is not a cast copy or electro because EROOKS S is sharp and clearly readable on the truncation of the bust. Genuine.
- E-8655-A Talbot Allum & Lee, 1795. Edge lettered. Sp. gr. 8.8. Wt. 9.75. Genuine,
- E-8656-A 1/24th Real Plantation farthing of 1688. Newman 8-C. Tin. Planchet defect at 5 o'clock on obverse. Wt. 9.01 grams. Sp. gr. 6.9. Genuine.
- E-9137-A 1787 N.J. Copper. Wt. 8.10 grams. Sp. gr. 8.76. Maris 28-L. Genuine.
- E-9199-A Vermont Britannia 1787 Copper. Wt. 7.52 grams. Sp. gr. 8.88.
 Machin Mills produced the reverse die. Ryder 13. Genuine.

I NEED TWO PICTURES OF E-8656-A, PLEASE.

The coins are returned herewith.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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REGISTERED MAIL # 2346741 - \$600 - 2.90

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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

March 2, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments	Consultant's Opinion
E-9725-A	500.00	S.G. 16.9-17.0	5 Belleter N.C. Sold
E-0112-B	180.00	S.G. 8.8 Submitted as	Voce Populie
Е-0146-В	1,350.00	S.G. 8.8	Bor Cent

Total Value \$ 2,030.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ 4.34

Sincerely.



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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

March 28, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments	Consultant's Opinion
E-0718-B	500.00	S.G. 7.2	R.I. tohen
Е-1113-В	500.00	5. 6.8.9	Fugeo Cent
E-1208-B	375.00	Could not get pr	coper S. G. Oah The 2d

Total Value \$ 1,375.00

Check enclosed for return postage----\$ 4.64

Sincerely,

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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

April 14, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments Consultant's Opinion
E-1353-B	^{\$} 475.00	S.G. 10.3 Sm. Pine Tree Shilly
E-1389-B	125.00	S.G. 8.8 Fugio Cent 12-M
Е-1672-В	60.00	S.G. 8.9 Fugio Cent 12-U
E-1651-B	400.00	S.G. 9.5 electro? 1792 Farman Head of A
E-1772-B	1,700.00	S.G. 9.7 Chalmers Shilley

Total Value

\$2,760.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ 4.45

Sincerely,



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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

April 21, 1978

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Page #1

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comme	ents	Consultant's	Opinion
E-1865-B	\$ 1,000.00	Wt. 4.5018 S	GG 10.33	Sn. Mass Pine 12d	Genoine,
E-1866-B	2,500.00	Wt. 8.8279 S	G 6.93	1688 Plantation fart with tin pest. Ger	ting Newman 1-A
E-1867-B	2,000.00	Wt.14.4622 S	G 8.86	London elephant, This	k planchet, Genvine
E-1868-B	233.00			Voce Populi Ge	
Е-1869-В	500.00	Wt. 8.2670 S	G 8.87	1773 la kd Some	stain bot much
Е-1870-В	10,000.00	Wt. 8.6022 S	G 7.14	R.I medal in pente	c- No opinion
Е-1871-В	1,967.00			R.I medal with o Brassy ship's meta	
E-1872-B	5,000.00	Wt. 2.7266 S	G 9.93	Chalmers 12d low	ng worm of Genuine
E-1873-B	2,666.00	Wt. 3.3657 So Appears Plu	G 10.21 gged or	Chalmers 12d short	it worm. Partly rengard both sides, e but badly aboused.
E-1874-B	50,000.00	Wt. 9.6599 S	G 8.86	Immune-Nova 1	785 VP.
Total Value	Continued on Page #2		Þ	ent left of each C	" die break under scale
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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

April 21, 1978

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Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number E-1875-B	Owner's Value \$ 333.00	Wt. 12.0909 SG	s Consultant's Opinion 8.82 Ky Cent Lettered edge . Genuine .
E-1876-B	500.00	Wt. 9.5759 SG	8.84 Ky Cent Lettered edge. Genuine
E-1877-B	1,000.00	Wt. 10.2359 SG	8.85 T.A.L. 1794 Red une Genuine
E-1878-B	650.00	Wt. 9.2905 SG	8.64 T.A.L. 1794 Larget v.g. Genvine
E-1879-B	333.00	Wt. 8.5413 SG	8.88 Georgius Triumpho xf Genuine
E-1880-B	1,000.00	Wt. 12.4695 SG	8.86 M91 Wash-Sm. Eagle Proof Genuine
E-1881-B	400.00	Wt. 9.0086 SG	8.79 1795 Wash Grate. Genuine
E-1882-B	2,333.00	Wt. 4.1424 SG	8.64 large Br. Wash Success Genoine
E-1883-B	667.00	Wt. 1.9085 SG	8.65 Small Brass Wash. Success Genuine
E-1884-B	2,500.00	Wt. 8.8953 SG	8.82 Fugio Restrike in Copper 101-BB.
E-1885-B	3,333.00	Wt. 10.4059 SG	9.43 Fugio Obr 10x in lead mix
Total Value	\$		Uniface restrike*

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$

Sincerely,

John Hunter ANACS * the restribes above noted were made from original dies by Scoville MFG Co mike 1855-1860 period

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

April 24, 1978

REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. John Hunter ANACS 818 North Cascade Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

E-1113-B

E-0718-B

E-0146-B	Bar Cent, 5.46 grams, 8.8 sp. gr. Has die break on second bar and other normal characteristics. Genuine.
Е-1389-В	1787 Fugio Copper. Wt. 10.99 grams 8.8 sp. gr. Chunk out of SS on obv due to impurities in planchet. Genuine.
E-1672-B	1787 Fugio Copper. Wt. 10.13 grams. 8.9 sp. gr. Genuine.
Е-1353-В	1652 Small Pine Tree Shilling Noe 22. Wt. 4.595 grams. 10.3 sp. gr. Heavy die break at N of AN.DOM as well as break into E of NEW. Edge has been somewhat shaved long ago. Genuine.
E-1651-B	Washington Roman Head 1792 Cent. Wt. 13.51 grams. Sp. gr. 9.5. Porosity over neck on obverse. Most obverse beading on edge missing Edge lettering has been omitted. Not sharp as all were proofs. Electro forgery.
E-1772-B	1788 Chalmers Shilling, Short Worm. 3.70 grams. Sp. gr. 9.7. Oval dent in 0 of ONE and scratch on right of the 0.
E-9725-A	C. Bechtler \$5 20 carats, 150 G. Tiny milling marks on edge. heavily polished. Genuine.

ROHDE and under AA of ADMIRAAL. False. E-1208-B Mass. 1662 Two pence. Wt. .65 grams Noe 31 state of die. Genuine.

Fugio Variety 1-B. Sp. gr. 8.9. Wt. 8.04 grams. Genuine.

Rhodes Island copper token with wreath under ship. Wt. 7.2 grams. Sp. gr. 7.2. This is obviously not copper from its specific gravity. Some copper plating is flaked off next to L HO of ADMIRAL HOWE and next to OH of ROHDE. It has surface eruptions on 8 of 1778, DE of

E-0112-B 1760 Voce Populi. Wt. 7.14 grams, Sp. gr. 8.8, Nelson 6, Plate V, No. 10. Cast copper planchet with many defects. Date appears as 1700. Genuine.

Eric P. Newman

Very truly yours

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ANACS given and coins returned herewith a

E-0146 B Bon Cent, 5.46 grams, 8.8 sp.gr. Has # die break on seind bar and other normal characteristies. Genuine

E-1389 B 1787 Fagio Wt. 10,99 grams 8,8 sp.gr.

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proofs. Electro forgery.

E-1772-B 1788 Chalmes Shilling Short Worm, 3.70 grams Sp.gr. 9.7 Small dent in O of ONE and scratch mouth the O

E-9725-A C. Bechtler \$5 20 caralo, 150 G. Tiny milling marks on edge, Heavily polished. Genuine

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E-1113-B Fugio Vanety 1-12. State Stage S. 7. WE 8.01 ... Series

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E-01/2-B 1760 Voce Populi, Nelson 6, Plate V, \$\frac{1}{2}, No.10. Cast 20per phanchet with many defects. Dale appears as 1700.

Very truly yours

ANACS - E-5759-B 1853 900 fine \$20 U.S. Assay Office. 33.50 grams. (517,0 grains) Sp. gr. 17.8. This piece is No. 6 in a group of similar pieces studied
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Eric P. Newman

October 24, 1978

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

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This piece was No. 6 in a group of about 20 similar pieces studied by us about 15 years ago. It is distinguished from all other known pieces by having in the obverse field equally spaced and close spiral tool marks on all except the left side. In our opinion this concentric appearing group of circular lines resulted from the use of an automatic cross cutting tool when a lathe was used to cut off the end of a steel rod being prepared as part of the forgery process. The steel rod was to be used as a false hub or false die to be made by a pressure transfer process. The tool marks in our opinion did not result from the preparation in a lathe of the gold planchet on which the coin was struck.

The submitted piece is one of the coins in a socalled "hoard" found in recent years and has been studied by many people. One piece from the hoard with a glittering surface was the subject of an arbitration under PNG auspices and litigation in Cook County, Illinois. The arbitration panel unanimously determined that the coin was not a proof and the court sustained the decision of the arbitrators. The arbitration panel was about to give an opinion on whether that coin was or was not genuine but did not file any opinion on that issue. Neither PNG nor members of the arbitration panel have been willing to make any of the official files available for review by appropriate persons and should be requested to do so by ANACS either under the Code of Ethics or otherwise. We have been denied the right to examine certain parts of these files after many requests. We have learned additional facts and have come to further conclusions subsequent to the original opinion given in that arbitration.

We have concluded that the original pair of dies for the 1853 \$20 U. S. Assay Office 900 fine were improperly removed from and not returned to the U. S. Mint in Philadelphia sometime after 1912. These dies were not used by the person who took them. Transfer hubs and transfer dies were secretly and privately made at a much later date from the original dies. There was polishing and tooling on the hubs and on the dies and a few coins were struck in various stages of the completion of polishing and tooling of the dies. Others were struck after completion. There was a new collar prepared in a broaching machine with 179 reeds on the edge, the normal collar having 170 reeds. One of the false dies was cut into parts to produce other related gold and lead numismatic items. Although the Red Book has properly delisted related items there has been a general fear of and spinelessness toward bringing the facts into the open. This attitude is not limited to a few people but to several large numismatic organizations and many individuals. It could also have many economic reverberations if the facts were available.

The submitted piece has a ball shaped raised die break on top of the first A of ASSAY. This developed in the late stages of the use of the original die, but is not found on some of the other related pieces as it was ground off of the forged transfer hub. A similar raised oval die break between the top parts of SS in ASSAY also can be noticed on the submitted piece.

There is an identifying nick which appears on the obverse as a line dent rising to the right on the upper part of the I in UNITED. This nick is

not an accident to the coin but is in the false die. Similarly there is a diagonal nick in the lower text panel line of the reverse below the right side of the F in CALIFORNIA. This is also a characteristic of the false die and not an accident to the coin.

The normal die break lump on the right side of the T in UNITED on the reverse is present along with the breaks connecting the L of GOLD with letters above and below.

The surface of the submitted piece is mildly shiny but much duller than the pieces with a glittering surface.

This submitted piece is the most important link in a modern forgery saga in our opinion and should be retained by ANACS, if at all possible for instruction purposes. In our opinion it is a most dangerous forgery and as such an outstanding example of the efforts which have been taken to deceive numismatists.

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Eric P. Newman

for

October 24, 1978

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

- 1. Be sure to send me pictures of the item.
- 2. Attach pictures to the opinion.
- 3. Be sure to have Kagin book at hand when reading opinion.
- 4. What was written to the owner with respect to E-5759-B?

ANACS-E-5759-B

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

May 8, 1978

Mr. John Hunter ANACS 818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

All the pieces are returned herewith from April 21, 1978 submittal and prior. The mailing will be done in multiple envelopes.

I cannot pass on the E-1870-B because I think all of them may be fake. I also have never seen a genuine one for sure. There are only two pewter R. I. tokens with full ornaments listed in Taxay. I have another on hand now. They are coming out of the woodwork. It is too easy to make them. Picker is also unwilling to pass on these pewter ones. Since it is not a coin I see no problem in not passing on the matter.

Thank you for the pictures.

Sincerely

Eric P. Newman

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CERTIFICATION SERVICE

818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

May 11, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments Consultant's Opinion
Е-1673-В	1,500.00	CSA 1c- SG 8.9 /St Restrike Comfed Cent
E-2120-B	2,500.00	SG 8.9 Copper Trial? 120 Clark Grober Pattern in copper Blo
E-2211-B	500.00	SG 17.8 \$ 10 Killes / 855 but Hold plated
E-2215-B	200.00	SG 8.8 Bar Cent

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Total Value \$ 4,700.00

Check enclosed for return postage----\$ 5.75

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

May 18, 1978

Mr. John Hunter ANACS 818 North Cascade Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

I give you the following opinions:

- E-1673-B Confederate States of America Cent in copper. This is the first restrike from the original dies. It was done by a coin dealer and, therefore, should not be classified as genuine, but as a private restrike.
- E-2120-B 1860 Clark Gruber \$20 pattern in copper plated with gold.
 Weight 17.74 grams. Specific gravity 8.9. The under coin
 is gemuine and is copper. The gold plating is false.
 The piece should be described as altered.

E-2211-B - \$20 Kellog 1855. Genuine.

E-2215-B - Bar Cent. Weight 5.69 grams. Specific gravity 8.8. Genuine.

We hope we have been helpful.

Sincerely

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Encls.

REGISTERED MAIL

#2346752



CERTIFICATION SERVICE

818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

July 28, 1978

Coin Number

Eric Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis. MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Comments

Consultant's Opinion

E-3965-B 600.00 Dick Picker feels that this is cast....

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Husbreight a wrong

It should be leader

I should be leader

Much too low for a cair

worm so little.

This sp gr on the

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Owner's Value

Sincerely,

John Hunter

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CERTIFICATION SERVICE

818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

September 12, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments	Consultant's Opinion
E-5076-B	\$ 1,000.00	C Bealter \$5 20 carato	150 grains
Е-5326-В	500.00	N.J Cent 17-K	· ·
E-5437-B	250.00	Pine True 12 d Noe 1	
E-5524-B	50.00	Nova Const 3-C	
E-5758-B	100.00	Voce Populi #2	
E-5777-B	150.00	Wesh & Andep Unity States	
E-5778-B	200.00	Fugio States United 18	8-0

Total Value \$ 2,250.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ (34

Sincerely,

. ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY 6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 5, 1978

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Mr. John Hunter \$1,000 - 4.90

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818 North Cascade

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

Our opinions are as follows:

- E-5758-B 1760 Voce Populi "so called" 1700 dating. 6.542 grams. Nelson #2 (Plate V, #9) genuine. (Specific gravity not furnished to us).
- E-5778-B 1787 Fugio N. 18-U. 9.235 grams. Genuine. (Specific gravity not furnished to us.)
- E-5524-B 1785 Nova Const. 6.67 grams. Crosby 3-B. Genuine. (Specific gravity not furnished to us.)
- E-5326-B 1786 New Jersey. 7.694 grams. Maris 17-K. Genuine.
- E-5777-B Washington Unity States. 7.279 grams. Genuine.
- E-5437-B Pine Tree Shilling. Noe 1 with extensive die break on reverse. 4.460 grams. 10.3 Sp. Gr. Genuine.
- E-5076-B \$5 C. Bechtler 150 grains 20 carats in legend. 9.66 grams (149.1 grains). Sp. gr. 16.8. The milling is weak and the edge has been worked on. The coin may have been mounted or sweated because there is a lump on the edge. It is genuine.

We hope we have been helpful.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION FOR EDUCATION THROUGH RESEARCH AND EXHIBITION OF COINS, CURRENCY AND HISTORIC OBJECTS

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6,450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 6, 1978

Mr. John Hunter ANACS 818 North Cascade Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

E-3965-B - Mass. Pine Tree 12d Noe 10. Wt. 3.97407 grams (61.3 grains) and 10.27 specific gravity (ANACS weight of 3.89 grams and sp. gr. of 12.78 are in error).

It has a concave edge depression between IN and MAS on the obverse and over the right upright of M on the reverse. In this part the edge has what appear to be porosity holes on the edge as well as file marks. This indicates that a sprue could have been at this point for a centrifugal casting.

This coin has botches of black oxidation on both sides which seem to have resulted from attempted coloration by placing it in a wood or coal fire. It has scratches to the right of the tree which appear cast. It has a depressed blotch under the X which is unnatural in view of the fullness of the X.

The reverse appears more strongly struck than the obverse.

The most unusual defect is its short weight. It is full diameter on both faces and unclipped. Its wear is minor yet it weighs only 61.3 grains which is almost 15% below the standard of 72 grains. This could not happen from deterioration from burial and leave the reverse strong.

There are sunken dots under the second A of MASATHYSETS which are raised dots in the original, but this can happen from deterioration to the original coin.

There is an unnatural blotch between the right base of N in IN and the inner circle.

There appears to be a strengthening of the cross bar and right side of the second A of MASATHVSETS which is not on normal examples.

This piece in our opinion is a forgery. It is probably made by a casting process.

The submitter should be asked to furnish detailed source data before it is returned. That data should be furnished to the authenticators for review and reconsideration. The coin is returned herewith. We hope we have been helpful.

Sincerely.

Eric P. Newman

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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

October 6, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments Consultant's Opinion
E-5759-B	12,500.00	\$20 US Assay office 1853 900 find
E-6548-B	500.00	\$20 US Assay office 1853 900 find Mark Newby 12d Large Letters Buss plug on crown
		plug on crown

Total Value \$ 13,000.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ 10 56

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 12, 1978

Mr. John Hunter

ANACS
818 North Cascade
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Re: 1783 Washington & Independence in Silver, Plain Edge

Dear John:

I am worried about the E-2386-A which I said was an 1860 restrike in my 2/23/77 opinion. It was an unknown variety of edge.

Please write the submittor to tell us from whom he obtained it, when and where. I would like to see it again if the owner will send it.

Please send me a contact print of it also.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

October 17, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number E-6697-B	Owner's Value \$ 500.00	S.G. 10.26 Listed as Scott (Taxay) page 52 Consultant's Opinion Pacific Co AVIO in selver
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Е-6740-В	3,600.00	S.G. 7.65 1176 tugodollar - C
E-6762-B	3,000.00	S. G. 8.79 Immune Columbia in copper

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Total Value

\$ 7,300.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ 8.56

Sincerely,

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October 26, 1978

818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments Consultant's Opinion
Е-6118-В	1,000.00	S.G. 10.3 Ochtre 12 d Noe 14 pand Dates with S.G. 9.7-10.0 fine tree bod Noe 33 by February
E-6255-B ★	125.00	s.G. 9.7-10.0 fine tree lod Noe 33 by Folson
Е-6291-В	500.00	S.G. 10.24 Pine Ne 120 Noe 10 Pughese
E-6323-B	500.00	S.G. 9.04 Chalmers shilly Shortrooun

Dick also looked at these....enclosed is the report....

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Total Value

\$ 2,125.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ 5.98

Sincerely,

John Hunter

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818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

October 26, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Avenue St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments	Consultant's Opinion
E-6854-B	900.00	S.G. 8.8	to Box. Toms Coins
E-7004-B	200.00	s.g. 8.9	1 and My Na deli
E-7041-B	3,500.00	S.G. 17.6	# 7
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from Charles Blackburn Blackburn + Blackburn Carmel Calif.

Total Value \$ 4,600.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$ 762

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

645 Ce il Avenia, St. Louis 5, Missouri

REGISTERED MAIL# 3346009

Mr. John Hunter
ANACS
818 North Cascade
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

November 8, 1978

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Dear John:

E-6854-B Washington Born in Virginia.

10.98 grams (169.5 grains) 8.8 sp. gr. This piece has long trenched indentations on the edge next to WASHIN and RCINIA damaging the beading and some lettering on the border of both faces. These trenches or troughs are apparently from subsequent clamping the coin from both sides as the dents are 180 degrees offset. The color is a normal dark brown. The face scratches and dents are normal. The coin is genuine but badly abused where the edge dents are.

E-7041-B 1851 \$50 Humbert slug 887 Thous. 84.599 grams (1305 grains) 17.6 sp. gr. Heavily worn, dented, filed and tested. The edge reeding at the lower right diagonal side has been completely filed off. Genuine.

E-7004-B 1723 Woods %d with D.G.

3.852 grams (59.4 grains) 8.9 sp. gr. Unnatural red color. Edge dent extending across GIUS. Obverse dents in top of 0, on and under neck and along neck line. Reverse dents in E, two between 1 and B, one to right of leaf, etc. This is a forgery made by centrifugal casting by the same forger and from the same coin as EF-2248 was made. These forgeries are the same color, almost the same weight and appear to have all the same dents, gas pockets and apparent accidents from use. The envelope on E-7004-B shows California Coin and Stamp Shop, 390 - 17th St., Oakland, CA 94612, 415-451-0700 and the ticket shows 12 known, ex. rare variety CH-AU, (cast) LCH. When turned on its horizontal axis reverse is about 30 degrees clockwise. This dangerous forgery should be completely investigated and not returned unless full facts as to source are obtained.

E-6291-B Pine Tree 12d Noe 16.

3.63 grams (56 grains) 10.24 sp. gr. This coin is drastically underweight by 25% of the normal 72 grains. Most border beading shows it has not been clipped or shaved sufficiently to account for the amount of weight loss. There is a dent at the border under the lower obverse rosette and this dent looks cast rather than struck. Below AN.DO is scratched what appears to be 141

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with the crossline of 4 extending over the 1 and beyond. This scratched number looks cast. The field color is uniform throughout and therefore suspicious. The raised parts are uniformly light in color. The edge is smoothed and defects are along rather than across the edge. This is a very difficult diagnosis but its short weight is so suspicious that it must be classed as a forgery.

E-6118-B Oak Tree Shilling Noe 13.9.

4.628 grams (71.4 grains) sp. gr. 10.33. Although apparently cleaned long ago this coin is genuine. The edge has many near vertical file or chisel marks. The surface of the face is rather rough. There are two wide vertical light scrapes under the tail of 2.

E-6714-B 1723 Woods Farthing D.G.

3.915 grams (60.4 grains) sp. gr. 8.78. Crushed area at border and edge near point of bust and above A on reverse. Normal dark color on faces and edge. Top of O weak, Genuine.

E-6697-B 1849 Pacific \$2.50 in Silver.

2.28 grams (35.2 grains) sp. gr. 10.26. Genuine. Apparently circulated as a dime.

E-6740-B 1776 Continental Dollar 2-D.

17.931 grams (265.3 grains) 7.65 sp. gr. Dark grey color. Center of obverse very weak. Edge fully decorated with floral design. Dent within Connecticut ring and on crossover of outer RI and inner Connecticut rings, and at 7 o'clock on RI ring. If turned on vertical axis reverse is 45 degrees clockwise. Genuine. Envelope marked Kagin's. Lot 1621 GENA sale Sept. 28, 1978.

E-6255-B Pine Tree 6d Noe 33.

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2.231 grams (34.4 grains) sp. gr. 9.7-10.0.

The coin has heavy red corrosion on both sides and green corrosion on the reverse. It is supposed to have been dug up recently in Plymouth, Mass. Its low specific gravity is thus somewhat accounted for. Its edge is rough, jagged and not smoothed or trimmed, thus being unusually normal. It appears genuine.

E-6323-B Chalmers shilling, short worm.

2.33 grams (36.0 grains) 9.04 sp. gr.

Mr. John Hunter November 8, 1978 Page 3 -

The weight is about one-third too low. The specific gravity is far too low for silver. The edge is smoothed all around and shows lines running around the edge while originals have milled edges. There are circular gas holes in the field to the right of the right top of A of ANNAPOLIS, near the border beading above the serif on the left foot of the same A, between R and S, and under the right foot of A in CHALMERS. The envelope is marked Cannon & Sons, Inc., 1127 W. University Ave., Gainsville, Fla. 32601, 904-372-7553. This forgery is almost identical to B-3776 submitted late in 1975 and which was declared a forgery for most of the same reasons.

E-6762-B 1785 Immune Columbia - Nova Constellatio. B & R Galleries 8/21/78 Sale #25 illustrated.

Wt. 9.18 grams (141.7 grains) sp. gr. 8.79.

This coin was weakly struck, the I in IMMUNE and the lower part of the date in particular. The weight and specific gravity are normal. There are many pitted and rough areas which is usual in the planchets of genuine pieces. Pitted and rough areas include the following:

In and under UNE, between the cap and C, over the head, within and under O, in front of chin and neck, over the top of the horizontal arm of the female figure all the way to U which has a triangular depression within it, two on the flag, one on the bosom, one on the safe, and one between the two ornaments left of the date.

Left of the top and under the final 0, a gash above the left side of the first L and within the first 0 of CONSTELLATION, and a border dent touching the left upper serif of the first L.

There is red corrosion above and below the horizontal arm of the female figure extending into the U. There is green corrosion in the crotches of the star below EL. The corrosive areas appear old.

From recent handling the raw copper shows thru at the juncture of the faces with the edge and on the edge next to AT. This is unfortunate and distracting.

The surface is generally dark, the corrosion seems natural. I have compared the coin to a choice genuine example. The pedigree of the submitted piece has not been determined. A find of another coin with a similar surface appearance was dug up in Philadelphia about three years ago. I find nothing sufficiently suspicious about the submitted piece to challenge it. I feel it is genuine. Richard Picker should review it.

All of the coins are returned herewith.

Sincerely,

Obverse:

Reverse:

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Richard Picker

P. O. BOX 123 ALBERTSON, N. Y. 11507.

I think you should write the submitters of E-6118-B (an Oak Tree Shilling) and E-6291-B (small Pine Tree Shilling) as to acquisition data.

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E-5323-B, a Chalmers Shilling should be checked up on from the submitter I call your attention to the fact that a similar forery of a Chalmers Shilling was seen by Picker and myself in late 1975 - January, 1976, being B-3776. Both are short weight, both have an improper edge and if you can make a contact print of B-3776 that would be helpful to see if it and E-6323-B were made from the same coin.

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6,50 Ceci Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

January 23, 1976

REGISTERED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Charles R. Eoskins ANACS Box 87-Ben Franklin Station Washington, D. C. 20044

Dear Charles:

I coincide the crewith opinions on all coins now in my possession and the coincide elves.

I particularly would like a picture of the face and back of B-4760 which is a Bar Cent. A full picture of the coin is what I what I what I ther than a picture of the coin is what I was I was

B-3776 1783 Chalmers Thilling Thort Norm. I revise my former opinion from genuine to false. The specific gravity at 9.0 is low for silver. The edge is plain and is not crudely milled as all genuine pieces are. The weight of 25 grains is only about half if a normal weight of these pieces. There is wax casting deterioration of the lower serif in the of MILLING, on the low r serif of the fin CNL, and is the upper part of Lin CAL. These did not result from peer striking or camage from wear. I am glad to correct my opinion of the coin to that of a very well made electrotype.

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6250 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 24, 1978

Mr. John Hunter ANACS 818 North Cascade Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

1792 Silver Center type cent without silver center. Given to American Numismatic Association, see The Numismatist, August, 1976, p. 1734.

Weight 4.5595 grams (70.3 grains).

Specific gravity 8.69.

If genuine, the submitted piece would have to be purecopper or copper with a small amount of silver mixed in the metal. Judd estimates the specific gravity for pure copper would be 8.95 and for copper and silver 9.05. Even if we reduce these figures for some adulteration of metal the lowest reasonable specific gravity for a struck piece would be 8.85. This shows that the submitted piece is false and has internal porosity or voids from its false manufacture. Its weight is normal.

The entire coin appears very worn and very black. Both faces are very lumpy and pocked. The 7 in the date is almost unreadable compared to the other numbers. The weak 7 is on ANACS #0959 on which we gave an opinion of falsity on December 18, 1972. That coin and the submitted piece are apparently both made from the same original coin. There was a similar piece at Harmer Rooke which received publicity in the 6/25/69 Coin World and the 6/24/69 Numismatic News, but that is another matter.

The edge milling is evident from 1 to 7 o'clock if the face is held toward you. There is a trace of milling at 10:30 o'clock also. The balance is lacking. This is not from chemical deterioration.

The submitted coin is false. It is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

Eric P. Newman

for

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

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in the

1853 900 fine \$20 U.S. Assay Office. 33.50 grams. (517.0 grains) Sp. gr. 17.8.

This piece was No. 6 in a group of about 20 similar pieces studied by us about 15 years ago. It is distinguished from all other known pieces by having in the obverse field equally spaced and close spiral tool marks on all except the left side. In our opinion this concentric appearing group of circular lines resulted from the use of an automatic cross cutting tool when a lathe was used to cut off the end of a steel rod being prepared as part of the forgery process. The steel rod was to be used as a false hub or false die to be made by a pressure transfer process. The tool marks in our opinion did not result from the preparation in a lathe of the gold planchet on which the coin was struck.

The submitted piece is one of the coins in a socalled "hoard" found in recent years and has been studied by many people. One piece from the hoard with a glittering surface was the subject of an arbitration under PNG auspices and litigation in Cook County, Illinois. The arbitration panel unanimously determined that the coin was not a proof and the court sustained the decision of the arbitrators. The arbitration panel was about to give an opinion on whether that coin was or was not genuine but did not file any opinion on that issue. Neither PNG nor members of the arbitration panel have been willing to make any of the official files available for review by appropriate persons and should be requested to do so by ANACS either under the Code of Ethics or otherwise. We have been denied the right to examine certain parts of these files after many requests. We have learned additional facts and have come to further conclusions subsequent to the original opinion given in that arbitration.

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Eric P. Newman

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October 24, 1978

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 26, 1978

Mr. John Hunter
ANACS
818 North Cascade
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

E-6548-B being a St. Patrick's Half Pence with large letters variety 1-B is genuine in our opinion.

We enclose a separate opinion on E-5759-B designating it as a forgery.

These coins are returned herewith.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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REGISTERED MAIL



AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

CERTIFICATION SERVICE

818 N. Cascade Colorado Springs, Co. 80903

December 5, 1978

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Avenue St. Louis, MO 63105

CONSULTANT'S REQUEST

Enclosed are the following coins for your opinions

Coin Number	Owner's Value	Comments Consultant's Opinion
E-6948-B	^{\$} 125.00	Small Pine True Shills Noe 24 Small pine true 12 d Noe 25
E-8191-B	950.00	Intel pine Tree 12d Noe 25
E-8192-B	775.00	May have been submitted Chalmus Shirt worm previously plussed a tooled
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E-8193-B	900.00	1786 VI Ryder 6 VERMONTE NSIUM

Total Value

\$2,750.00

Check enclosed for return postage-----\$

Sincerely,

John Hunter

ANACS

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missour.

December 12, 1978

Mr. John Hunter ANACS 818 North Cascade Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Dear John:

E-8191-B Small Pine Tree Shilling Noe 25. GENA sale 9/28/78 #1574 Wt. 4.50. Sp. gr. 10.35. I find nothing wrong. Genuine.

E-6948-B Small Pine Tree Shilling Noe 29. Wt. 4,343 grams. Ornament between IN and MAS virtually missing. Rough area in field around lower right tree branches. Reverse circular lettering weak, but not from wear. Entire striking detail is fuzzy. This is a cast forgery in my opinion. No specific gravity furnished or measured.

E-8193-B Vermont Ryder 6. Wt. 8.68 grams. Sp. gr. 8.86. GENA Sale 9/28/78 Lot 1690. This piece has a dark color which is too uniform (even on the planchet defects) except on the edge where it has very unnatural color variations. ER of VERMONTENSIUM is very weak and seems adjacent to a casting port on the edge. Planchet defects at SIU and across rays and stars under RTA appear cast. There are unnatural beading folds above UARTA which appear cast and not from an accident. There is a raised lip at edge over LA which seems to have been done by tooling the edge in a lathe. A forgery in my opinion.

E-8192-B Chalmers shilling short worm. 3.365. 10.245 sp. gr. GENA Sale 9/28/78 Lot #1614. This coin had a large round hole which has been filled after extensive heating. It has been reengraved particularly on the snake above the birds. The crossbar of A in ANNAPOLIS has been destroyed. The edge is filed and not milled as it should be. There is porosity around the ornament after ONE. The coin has been artificially recolored to be very black in the field. Whether this is genuine or a forgery to start with is unimportant as it has been altered so extensively as to be considered artificial.

The coins are returned herewith. I hope I have been helpful.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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